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DECLAPATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that our rasidence, post office address and edizenships are as stated below next to our names; that we verily believe we are the original and joint inventors of the subject matter claimed which a patent is sought in the application entitled:

ASSAY FOR METHYLATION IN THE GST-PI GENE

which application is:

On the attached application (for original application)

Mapplication No. 09/673,448

filed October 16, 2000, and amended on
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(for declaration not accompanying application)

that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; that we acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the patentability of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, that we hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119, § 172 or § 365 of any provisional application or foreign application(a) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified on said list any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention having a filing date before that of any foreign application on which priority is claimed:

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We hereby claim the benefit of Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in a listed prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, We acknowledge our duty to disclose any information material to the patentability of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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